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## Northwestern Then . . . .



THE 1930 BASEBALL team at Normal had only 13 players, and its was no unusual for the same pitcher to start several games in succession, including doubleheaders. Alumni from the 1930's say the fellow in the straw hat at left is C. C. "Doc" Stroud, for whom the baseball field at Northwestern is named.

## . . . . and Northwestern Now



THE UNIFORMS of this year's Northwestern baseball team are a striking contrast to the outfits worn in 1930, and hairstyles are also widely varying in the two team pictures. The Demon baseball team is midway through its season as are track, tennis and golf teams at the university.

THE COVER: Northwestern observed Academic Honors Week during March, and photographs on the cover are of some of the nearly 200 winners of special scholastic awards during the annual Academic Honors Banquet, which highlighted the week-long observance. A story on Academic Honors Week is on Page 10 of this issue.



# News from Northwestern



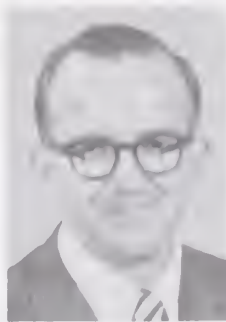
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## DR. LEBRETON HONORED

Dr. Marietta M. LeBreton of Northwestern has been recognized as an outstanding teacher of American history by the Louisiana chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Dr. LeBreton, a member of the Northwestern faculty since 1963, was presented the Frank Gibson Trophy for outstanding teaching in American history during the Louisiana chapter's annual conference in Alexandria.

A professor of history at Northwestern, Dr. LeBreton has published a number of reviews in historical journals and is the co-author of "The Rivers and Bayous of Louisiana."

## DECKERS AUTHOR TEXTBOOK

Dr. Celia A. Decker and Dr. John L. Decker of Northwestern are the authors of a new college textbook which is to be used in the teaching of early childhood education, elementary education and educational administration.

Publisher of the 266-page text, which is entitled "Planning and Administering Early Childhood Programs," is the Charles E. Merrill Publishing Company. The book was published last month.

Dr. Celia Decker is an associate professor of home economics at Northwestern. She joined the NSU faculty in 1972 following four years at East Texas State University in Commerce as an assistant professor of early childhood education.

Her husband has been an adviser and counselor for the university's Division of Continuing Education since 1975. He joined the Northwestern faculty in 1972 as an assistant director and college coordinator for the university's Career Opportunities Program. He is a former assistant instructor of elementary education at East Texas State University.

## DR. MIELENZ APPOINTED

Dr. Cecile Culp Mielenz of Tallahassee, Fla., has been appointed chair-

man of the Department of Home Economics at Northwestern.

Dr. Mielenz, whose appointment becomes effective on July 1, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Culp of Natchitoches. She is a 1966 graduate of Natchitoches High School and a 1970 graduate of Northwestern.

The new NSU department chairman received the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in child development from Florida State University.

## DR. CARRUTH CITED

Dr. Kayla Bernard Carruth, assistant professor and specialist in health and nutrition for the University of Tennessee Agriculture Extension Service has been chosen as the recipient of Northwestern's Home Economics Distinguished Alumni Award.

Dr. Carruth is the fifth recipient of the award which was established in 1961 by the university's Department of Home Economics.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bernard of Natchitoches, this year's recipient was presented the award March 10 at NSU's 15th annual Academic Honors Banquet sponsored by Phi Kappa Phi national honor society.

Dr. Carruth was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in foods and nutrition from Northwestern in 1963. Her internship was spent at Highland-Alameda County Hospital in Oakland, Calif.

## TUBB RESEARCH DIRECTOR

Northwestern president Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick has announced the appointment of Dr. Gary Tubb as director of educational research at NSU.

Tubb's appointment became effective immediately and his general responsibilities include the coordination of educational research for the College of Education. Tubb will work under the direction of NSU dean of education Dr. Robert Alost.

The new director will serve as research adviser and consultant to education faculty members in the design and development of educational re-

search and will assist Alost in bringing to the university the latest developments in the area of educational research.

Northwestern's new educational research director received his B.A. degree in mathematics and physics from the University of Texas and his M.A. degree in mathematics from Sam Houston State University. He earned his Ph.D. degree in education, specializing in mathematics and statistics, from Texas A&M University.

## GRANT FOR SAFETY CENTER

The Louisiana Highway and Traffic Safety Commission has awarded a \$194,600 grant to Northwestern's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation to establish a complete driver education and traffic safety center on the university's main campus in Natchitoches.

Dr. Gordon Coker, acting chairman of the NSU department, said the center will be developed by Northwestern through the use of federal funds made available to the state commission by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Expected to be completed and in operation by mid 1977, the Northwestern Driver Education and Traffic Safety Center will be utilized to prepare future teachers of driver education and to provide traffic safety instruction for people who operate motor and pedal cycles, automobiles, trucks, van and other large personal and commercial vehicles.

## NURSING SOCIETY FORMED

Northwestern's baccalaureate nursing program has been granted the first chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the national honor society of nursing, to be established in Louisiana.

Mattie Caldwell, instructor of nursing at Northwestern, is chairman of the steering committee for NSU's new chapter of Sigma Theta Tau.



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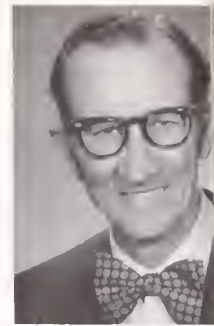
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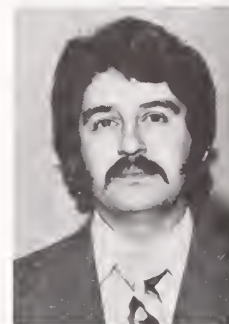
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## NSU Alumni Lecture During Homecoming Week

The second annual Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series was one of the highlights of Northwestern's Homecoming Week celebration during February.

Thirteen NSU graduates who have distinguished themselves in various businesses and professions were on the campus to address classes and seminars. The speakers were recognized by Northwestern academic departments as outstanding alumni of the university.

Dr. C. B. Ellis, assistant to the president and director of external affairs at Northwestern, coordinated this year's program, which featured distinguished alumni lecturers from Missouri, Louisiana, Texas and New Jersey.

The guest speakers attended a luncheon and were welcomed to the campus by President Arnold R. Kilpatrick.

Kilpatrick presented special certi-

ficates to the distinguished alumni during the basketball game between Northwestern and Nicholls State which climaxed Homecoming activities in Prather Coliseum on Feb. 14.

This year's Distinguished Alumni Lecturers were Dr. John Barkate, director of the microbiology department of Ralston Purina Co. of St. Louis, Mo.; Wayne Wilkerson of Pineville, vice president of Rapides Bank and Trust Co. of Alexandria; Carol Roy of Alexandria; Bossier Parish School Superintendent John R. McConathy of Bossier City; Shreveport pianist Mrs. Nina Plant Wideman; W. Gilbert Stroud, audit manager of Arthur Anderson, Inc., of New Orleans; Dr. Freddie Wayne Litton, assistant professor of special education at the University of New Orleans; Pamela Hankins, instructor of secretarial administration at Tyler (Tex.) Junior College; Dr. Lisso R. Simmons, dean of the College of

Education at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond; Dr. Jon Le Gibson, assistant professor of anthropology at the University of Southwest Louisiana in Lafayette; Mrs. Or. G. Williams, retired author and language professor of Natchitoches; Willie L. Doxey, consultant to the commanding general of the electronic command at Fort Monmouth, N.J. and Dr. Dwight D. Vines, president of Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe.

Northwestern academic departments participating in the alumni lecture series included microbiology and biochemistry, languages, accounting, music, curriculum and instruction, social sciences, special education, chemistry and physics, business distributive education and office administration, earth sciences, business administration and economics and health, physical education and recreation.



# Enrollment of 6,685 Is Record For Spring Term

## Figure Is 11.2% Increase Over 1975 Registration

Northwestern's enrollment of 6,685 this semester is the largest spring term enrollment in the 92 year history of the university, according to President Arnold R. Kilpatrick.

In announcing the spring semester registration figures, Registrar Walter P. Ledet said this spring's enrollment is an increase of 672 students over last spring's registration of 6,013.

The 11.2 percent increase in enrollment is the second highest registration increase in Northwestern's history. Northwestern's largest enrollment jump ever was a 13 percent increase in the fall of 1967.

Ledet said spring term registration periods are not complete at Northwestern's Fort Polk and England Air Force Base education centers, where some 400 more students are expected to enroll for the spring semester. "We anticipate that the final spring enrollment will exceed 7,000," Ledet said.

Northwestern's spring semester enrollment has climbed by more than 2,500 students in the past 10 years and is up by over 1,500 students since 1970.

The university has 5,454 undergraduate students enrolled this spring, and the enrollment in the Graduate School is 1,231. Of the total enrollment at Northwestern, there are 3,155 men and 3,500 women.

Enrollment figures also include a breakdown of classes which shows that Northwestern has 2,651 freshmen, 967 sophomores, 725 juniors and 1,111 seniors.

A breakdown of the 5,454 undergraduate students shows 1,636 enrolled in General Studies, 1,161 in the College of Education, 970 in Nursing, 680 in Business, 563 in Science and Technology and 444 in Liberal Arts.

Kilpatrick said, "Northwestern has experienced healthy enrollment increases for the past several semesters, but we are particularly proud of the large increase in student registration for the spring semester. The 11.2 percent increase is well above the national average and exceeds our anticipated enrollment for the current term."

The Northwestern president also expressed satisfaction with the number of freshmen enrolled for the spring semester. "Our freshman enrollment of 2,651 is an indication that an increasing number of high school graduates are selecting Northwestern as their college home."



Ed Dranguet



Dr. Harold Denning

## Denning, Dranguet Reelected Alumni, Foundation Officers

Officers of Northwestern's Alumni Association and the NSU Foundation were re-elected during the university's annual Homecoming celebration Feb. 14.

Re-elected as the executive officers of the Northwestern Alumni Association were Dr. Harold Denning of Jena, president; Mrs. W. A. Dial of Baton Rouge, vice-president and Dr. C. B. Ellis of Natchitoches, executive secretary.

Ed Dranguet of Natchitoches was returned to office as president of the NSU Foundation. Also re-elected as Foundation board officers were Erbon Wise of Sulphur, vice-president, and Ellis, secretary.

Homecoming was highlighted by Northwestern's basketball victory over Nicholls State. NSU usually celebrates Homecoming during the fall in conjunction with a football game, but the program was changed to the spring semester because of the construction of a new football stadium and athletic complex.

During pre-game ceremonies, three former Northwestern athletes were inducted into the university's athletic Hall of Fame. Honored with Hall of Fame membership were Leroy Miller of Natchitoches, Billy Roy Cook of Fort Riley, Kan., and Red McNew of Ferriday.

Halftime ceremonies included the crowning of this year's Homecoming queen and the presentation of awards to outstanding alumni. Presiding over the halftime program was NSU president Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick.

Lisa Cooper of Leesville, a junior recreation major, was crowned Homecoming queen. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cooper and

is a member of Phi Mu Sorority at Northwestern. She was the Kappa Alpha Rose for 1975-76.

Receiving plaques in recognition of their outstanding contributions to Northwestern Foundation and alumni programs were J. A. Rockhold of Baton Rouge, Mrs. Melba Law Stegg of New Orleans and Mrs. W. C. Jackson of Natchitoches.

Kilpatrick also presented certificates to several graduates who were selected to return to the university campus during Homecoming to participate in the second annual Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series.

Receiving certificates as distinguished alumni speakers were Dr. John Albert Barkate of St. Louis, Mo.; Wayne Wilkerson, Pineville; Carol Roy, Alexandria; John R. McConathy, Bossier City; Nina Plant Wideman, Shreveport; W. Gilbert Stroud and Freddie Wayne Litton, New Orleans; Pamela Hankins, Tyler, Tex.; Dr. Lisso R. Simmons, Hammond; Dr. Jon Lea Gibson, Lafayette; Mrs. Ora G. Williams, Natchitoches, and Willie L. Doxie, West Long Branch, N.J.

One of the highlights of Homecoming was the "Oldtimers" basketball game which matched former varsity players against an All-Star team of current intramural players at the university. The oldtimers, coached by ex-Northwestern basketball great Dick Brown, won by 63-51.

Alumni returning to the campus for Homecoming had an opportunity to visit the construction site of the university's new \$9 million athletic complex which includes a 15,000 seat stadium, track stadium, fieldhouse, tennis courts and renovation of baseball and basketball facilities.

# Buildings Named In Memory Of Fredericks, Kyser

## Former NSU Presidents Succumbed During 1975

President Arnold R. Kilpatrick of Northwestern has announced that buildings on the NSU campus have been named in memory of former university presidents A. A. Fredericks and Dr. John S. Kyser. Both died last year.

Northwestern's three-story Fine Arts Building, which was completed in 1940 during Fredericks' tenure, has been named the A. A. Fredericks Fine Arts Center, and the university's Arts and Sciences Building, which was begun during Kyser's administration, has been named John Kyser Hall.

Kilpatrick said Northwestern's proposal to name the facilities in honor of the former presidents was approved by the State Board of Trustees for Colleges and Universities.

The Northwestern president said, "A. A. Fredericks and Dr. John S. Kyser provided dynamic leadership during their years at Northwestern, and by naming buildings in their memory, we are paying only a small part of the debt of gratitude owed these leaders by students, faculty and alumni of this institution."

Kyser, who served as Northwestern's president from 1954 through 1966, secured the funding for the three-story, 93,000-square-foot Arts and Sciences Building which houses classrooms, laboratories and administrative offices. At the time it was completed, the building was the largest classroom facility in Louisiana.

Funds for the 72,000-square-foot Fine Arts Building and Auditorium were obtained during Fredericks' administration. Fredericks, who was Northwestern's president from 1934 to 1941, turned the first spade of dirt at the construction site for the building.

Northwestern officials have requested \$1.5 million in capital outlay appropriations to renovate the A. A. Fredericks Fine Arts Center, which houses the university's drama, speech and music programs.

Fredericks, who died in Natchitoches last October at the age of 84, has been president emeritus of the university since 1964. A member of the Northwestern faculty for 22 years, Fredericks taught agriculture before becoming president.

The former Northwestern president was executive secretary to Gov. Earl K. Long from 1948 to 1950 and again during 1959, and he served two four-year terms on the State Board of Education.

During his tenure as Northwestern's president, Fredericks served in the



A. A. Fredericks



Dr. John S. Kyser

Louisiana Senate, and he held the Senate seat from the 24th District for 16 years. He held other government positions as Commissioner of State Welfare, chairman of the Louisiana Commission on the Aging and as a member of the State Board of Commerce and Industry.

Fredericks' tenure at Northwestern produced the most extensive building program in the history of the university up to that period. The Fine Arts Building was the largest in the \$3 million construction program which highlighted his administration.

Kyser, who was president-emeritus of Northwestern from the time of his retirement in 1966 until his death last July, returned to the campus in 1968 to cut the ribbon for the opening of the impressive Arts and Sciences Building.

At the time of his retirement, Kyser had served on the faculty for 43 years, which was the longest tenure of any employee at the university. Only one other president—Dr. V. L. Roy—served as Northwestern's chief administrator longer than Kyser.

In his 12 years as Northwestern's president, Kyser inaugurated the first graduate program at any institution under the Louisiana Board of Education, and he was instrumental in the development of the first closed circuit television instruction program at any institution of higher learning in Louisiana.

More than \$19 million was secured during Kyser's administration for new buildings, and enrollment increased from 1,688 to 5,203 during the time Kyser served as Northwestern's president.

## NSU Teacher Wins Opera Auditions

Northwestern Music Department faculty member John Carpenter tied for first place in the finals of the Metropolitan Opera National Auditions last month and won a one-year contract to perform with the Metropolitan Opera.

The Northwestern assistant professor of music tied for first place with soprano Ashley Putnam of New Jersey, but the 30-year-old NSU tenor received the only contract awarded by the Met.

In addition to the Metropolitan Opera contract, Carpenter also won \$5,000 for finishing first plus the \$2,500 Richard Tucker Memorial Award. He had won \$2,000 earlier when he was chosen as one of the 10 finalists for the auditions.

Carpenter's journey to winning the national Metropolitan auditions began in Shreveport in February when he won the Metropolitan Opera Northern Louisiana and Mississippi district contest. In early March, he won the regional auditions held at Tulane University in New Orleans to advance to the national semi-finals.

The Northwestern tenor has appeared throughout the United States and in many foreign countries as a member of the "Singing Sergeants" with the U. S. Air Force Band. He made the finals of the WGN-Illinois Opera Guild "Auditions of the Air" national competition in Chicago in 1974.



# Alumni Association, Foundation Host Legislators

## Needs of School Cited By President Kilpatrick

The Northwestern Alumni Association and Foundation and President Arnold Kilpatrick hosted area legislators March 23, and Kilpatrick spoke to the Senators and Representatives about the unique needs and opportunities of the university.

Northwestern's president said higher education in Louisiana is at a critical point in history. "With a shortage of state funds available this year, it becomes increasingly evident that the quality of education will suffer unless we receive the support of those who recognized the key role played by our universities in the future," he said.

Kilpatrick added, "The support of our legislative delegation from Northwest Louisiana and our alumni will make the difference in a mediocre and superior program at this university."

Legislators from Natchitoches, Rapides, Grant, Winn, Red River, De Soto, Sabine, Vernon, Beauregard, Bossier and Caddo Parishes were invited to the meeting in an effort to utilize the collective influence of the legislators on behalf of Northwestern's growing programs.

The Northwestern president said, "Universities located in large cities automatically have a legislative delegation. It is necessary that all of those elected officials from the parishes served most directly by Northwestern work together if the progress we dream about is to become a reality."

On March 24, Northwestern officials and representatives from other universities met with the Legislative Budget Committee and other key legislators in Baton Rouge. The NSU Alumni Association and other alumni groups sponsored the meeting in cooperation with the Louisiana Board of Regents for Higher Education.

Dr. Bill Arceneaux of the board of regents spoke on behalf of implementation of a formula for higher education and recommended that 90 percent implementation be approved by the Legislature this year for higher education.

Kilpatrick said in support of the formula, "Northwestern is anxious to cooperate with sister institutions in supporting financial appropriations according to the board of regent's formula."



PRESIDENT ARNOLD KILPATRICK, left, the NSU Alumni Association and the Northwestern Foundation hosted area legislators March 23 to discuss the university's needs. Among legislators attending the meeting were, from left, Rep. E. L. Henry, Jonesboro; Senator-elect Ned Randolph, Alexandria; Rep. Jimmy Long, Natchitoches; Senator-elect Don Kelly, Natchitoches, Sen. Brian Poston, Hornbeek, and Rep. Claude Leach, Leesville.

## Memorial Contributions Growing

Memorial contributions continue to increase through the NSU Foundation. More individuals are choosing to honor deceased relatives and friends who have made significant contributions to higher education at Northwestern by donating to endowed and unendowed memorials for educational purposes.

An endowed memorial is one in which funds are established in a trust with the interest being used for the purposes defined by the family and friends of the honoree. Unendowed memorials are those where the actual gifts are used for the purposes decided upon by family and friends.

When sending your gift to the NSU Foundation in memory of any person, please indicate the person in whose memory the gift is being made as well as any specific purposes you would like your contribution to serve.

Among the endowed memorials recently established by the Foundation are those listed below:

**PRESIDENT EMERITUS JOHN KYSER**—The Kyser endowed memorial will be used for library development.

**PRESIDENT EMERITUS A. A. FREDERICKS**—A scholarship has been established in memory of President Fredericks and the Fine Arts Center constructed during his tenure of service has been named in his honor. The endowment in memory of President Fredericks will be used either for development of the Fine Arts Center or the development of a scholarship in his memory.

**ESTHER COOLEY**—For two decades, Esther Cooley served as chairman of the Home Economics Department at Northwestern. Upon her recent death, former students and friends established an endowed memorial for a scholarship in Home Economics.

**ROBERT EASLEY**—For years, Professor Robert Easley contributed to thousands of students in the College of Business. His family and friends have established an endowed memorial scholarship in his memory.

**CORINNE SAUCIER**—Corinne Saucier taught in the Department of Languages. Before her death, she willed to the University Foundation her property which has been sold and her assets invested. The interest is being used as Ms. Saucier requested for scholarships for young people from Avoyelles Parish.

**CATHERINE WINTERS**—A scholarship in History has been established in memory of Catherine Winters who endeared herself to NSU students for decades.

**WALDO DUNNINGTON**—An endowment has been established in memory of Waldo Dunnington, professor of Languages, to be used for Special Collections in the Louisiana Room of the library.

**EVE MOUTON**—Many former students remember Professor Eve Mouton. A group of sorority sisters, former students and friends have established a scholarship in her memory.



# Outstanding Football Prospects Sign With Demons

A. L. Williams, head football coach at Northwestern, has announced the signing of 20 outstanding high school prospects to national letters of intent.

"Since we'll be Division I (major college) in the NCAA beginning in September, we've gone to the national letter in signing our football recruits," Williams said. "We've lost a couple of players but we'll gain some players the same way."

Perry Neal, East Jefferson's Quad-A all-state tailback and a member of the All-South team, and St. Mary's quarterback-defensive back Dave Wright are two of the blue-chippers signed to the national letter by Williams.

Wright also made the All-Southern team and was "Offensive Player of the Year" on the Class A all-state team.

NSU's other signees include running backs Connie Hatcher (165) of Jena, Mark Schroeder (180) of Bonable and James Lilley (190) of St. Mary's. Lilley is also a linebacker. Hatcher has run a 9.6 in the 100-yard dash. Also signed are fullbacks Ricky Melancon (200) of Rayne and Curtis Dorsey of Milton, Fla.

Offensive line prizes include DeRidder's John Skinner (230), St. Mary's Russell Roge (260), Shreveport-Southwood's Stacy Holder (215) and Frankie Jordan, 6-foot-2 235-pound catch out of Mesquite, Tex. Jordan is a tackle.

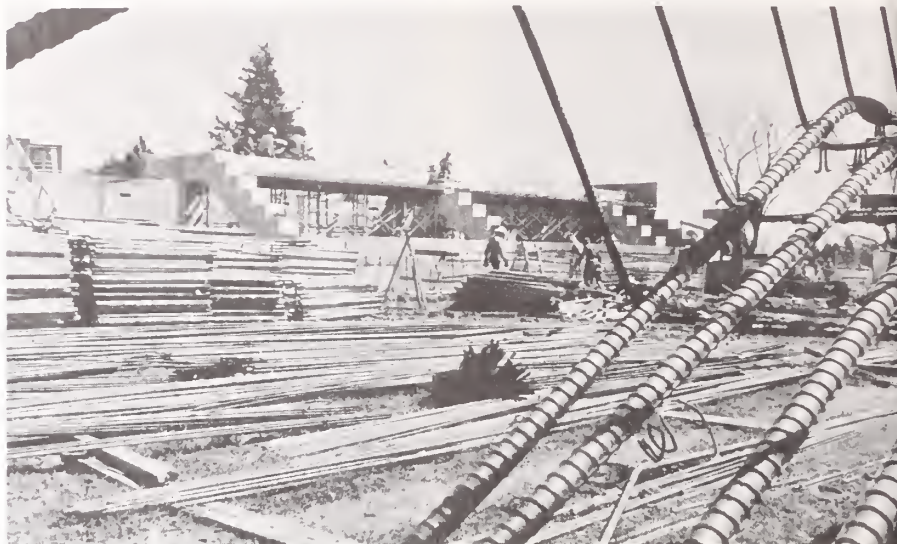
Among NSU's defensive line signees are Mike Ford, a six-foot, 210-pound noseguard from Bryan, Tex., and noseguard Quinton Kelly (205) of Rummel.

The defensive backs list includes Kenny Philibert (165) of Shreveport-Captain Shreve, Randy Liles (170) of North Caddo, Paul Guzzetta (180) of Morgan City, Johnny Ray Smith (170) of Bossier City and Keith Clayton (170) of Plano, Tex.

Linebackers signed are Ben Loper (190) of Monroe-Neville and Don Smith (190) of Stuggart, Ark.

"We expect to sign several more in the next couple of weeks," Williams said. "We think we've signed some quality players that can help us next year. We're looking forward to getting them in our program."

Williams added, "You know you've signed some outstanding players when several in-state and out-of-state major schools are after them."



*NORTHWESTERN's 15,000-seat Harry "Rags" Turpin Football Stadium is shown on the East side where construction is underway for a permanent 6,000-seat student section. The field, which will have astroturf, and East side stands will be completed for the 1976 home football games. Final completion for the West side, which will be double decked with a two-story pressbox atop the upper deck, is scheduled for September, 1977.*

## Lady Demon Basketball Players Finish Third In State Region

Northwestern's Lady Demons basketball team completed its season with an 18-17 overall record and a third place finish in the 11-team Louisiana state tournament and third-place honors in the AIAW regionals.

Freshman guard Lisa Brewer of DeRidder was the Demons scoring leader with a 17.2 average, which included two straight 39-point games in the Northwestern Tournament. She was all-tournament in both the Northwestern and Northeast Tournaments.

The Lady Demons' top rebounder was 5-foot-10 freshman center Tammy Primeaux of Gueydan. Primeaux averaged 12.4 rebounds an outing and had 19 or more rebounds in a game five times. Her season high was 25 rebounds and 22 points in an 83-80 win over Louisiana Tech.

Other top players for the Lady Demons include freshman "Tootie" Cary of Lacassine, senior Emma Ellerman of Winnsboro, junior Pat Nolen of Pitkin, junior "Do" Bonin of New Iberia, freshman Ella Davis of Quitman, junior Diane Pittman of Hammond and freshman Becky Guidry of Midland.

Northwestern, coached by Charlotte Corley, played eight games with nationally ranked teams and had a respectable record despite injuries and illness to several starters throughout the season.



*Pat Nolen*

Pittman averaged 14.0 points and 7.4 rebounds while Cary gave NSU three players in double figure scoring with a 9.3 average followed by Davis (7.7), Bonin (7.3), Nolan (7.2), Guidry (6.1) and Ellerman (4.8).

NSU closed out its season by participating in the Association of Intercollegiate for Women Region IV Basketball Tournament at Magnolia, Ark.



# Northwestern Gains Major Status In All Sports

Northwestern has received official notification of its acceptance to Division I (major college) of the National Collegiate Athletic Association beginning September 1 in all sports.

The announcement was made by Northwestern President Dr. Arnold Kilpatrick along with athletic director George Doherty and athletic council chairman Dr. Robert Alost.

Northwestern has been a member of the NCAA Division II. The Demons joined the NCAA in 1964 and have held dual membership in the NCAA and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) since that time.

Doherty confirmed that Northwestern has petitioned the Southland Conference for membership. NSU

has been independent since it dropped out of the Division II Gulf South Conference last summer and announced its intentions of gaining Division I status.

Northwestern had to schedule at least six major schools on its football schedule and have 75 percent major opponents on its basketball schedule. NSU's 1976 football schedule includes Division I schools Lamar University, Arkansas State, Northeast Louisiana, Louisiana Tech, McNeese State and the University of Southwestern.

In basketball, NSU will face Division I schools such as Southern Mississippi, Georgia State, North Texas State, Morehead State (Ky.), South Alabama, La. Tech, McNeese, Northeast, Centenary, Texas-Arlington and Houston Baptist during the 1976-77 campaign.

## Spring Sports In Full Swing

Northwestern's four spring sports are in the midst of another successful season and it looks like the Demons will be represented in several national spring sports tournaments.

In track Northwestern may be fielding one of its best teams ever. During the recently completed indoor season, sophomore John Barrier set a new school record with a 16-6 effort in the pole vault. He says he's got his sights set on 17-3, which would qualify him for the Olympic trials.

Other standouts for Coach Jerry Dyes' track team include triple jumper Bobby McIntosh (51-3½), long jumpers Mike Brown (25-4) and Rick Thomas (25-4), miler Leo Gatson (4:06.17), three-miler Frank Trammel (14:04.4) and high jumper John Green (7-0½).

NSU's tennis team currently sports a 13-1 record and is unbeaten against Louisiana competition. Sophomore All-American Gregg Manning of Richardson, Tex. and freshman sensation Ricardo Acuna of Santiago, Chile are the leaders of Coach Johnnie Emmons' talented netters.

The Demons' golf and baseball teams are off to slow starts, but prospects are good that they also could be in contention for postseason playoffs. Bill and Bob Morrow, Brad Locke and Trenton Eversull are all returnees from last year's NAIA District 30 championship golf team while Coach Herbie Smith's diamond crew includes a host of pitchers that have performed well in the early going.



Gregg Manning

## Billy Reynolds Helps Demon Cagers Finish Fast

Billy Reynolds, Northwestern's 6-foot-5 junior standout from Calhoun, has become the Demons individual scoring and rebounding champion for the second straight season.

Reynolds was largely responsible for Northwestern winning nine of its last 12 games to finish the 1975-76 season with a 14-10 record. The Demons had a 13-5 record against NCAA Division II teams.

Next year Northwestern will be Division I (major college) in all sports.

Reynolds was a key figure for the Demons all season. He averaged 20.8 points a game—the fifth best single season scoring average in the school's history—and had a 12.8 rebound average.

His rebound figure was also the fifth best in NSU annals.

Lester Davis, a 5-foot-9 sophomore guard from Natchitoches, was No. 1

on NSU's squad in steals with 64, including six in a single game against McNeese. Davis also was runnerup to Reynolds in scoring with a 14.2 average. His best scoring night was 24 in a big upset over Nicholls State.

Davis barely edged his running mate at guard, Dan Bell, for the free throw percentage title. Davis swished 52 of 68 charities for .765 percent compared to .759 percent for Bell.

Bell, a 6-foot-2 junior out of Huntsville, Ala., had a slight advantage over Davis in assists, getting 125 for a 5.2 average per game. Davis had 121. Bell was also the third leading scorer with a 12.7 mark, including a season high 24 against Troy State.

Lester Elie captured the blocked shots crown, rejecting 27 opponents shots. The 6-foot-7 Elie had an 11.4 scoring average and an 8.3 rebound mark. A sophomore from Cloutierville, Elie's .469 field goal percentage was best among the starters.

NSU's only senior in the starting lineup, 6-foot-6 center Rick Reass, had a 7.2 scoring average and a 6.2 rebounding figure. A product of Winter Haven, Fla., Reass had one of his best games when he helped hold Northeast star Calvin Natt to just eight points.

Northwestern's only senior on the squad was 6-foot-6 Bernard Holder of Brooklyn, N.Y. Holder hit 47.3 percent from the field and averaged 4.5 and 4.2 respectively in scoring and rebounding.

Other scoring averages for NSU included 6-foot-1 freshman John Green (2.8) of Natchitoches, 6-foot-4 junior Tom Edens (2.5) of Phoenix, Ariz., 6-foot-1 Bill McKellar (2.3) of Bossier City and 6-foot-4 Dale Dunnivant (2.0) of Miami, Fla.

# Highlights of



THREE FORMER Northwestern athletes were inducted into the NSU Athletic Hall of Fame at Homecoming. Dr. Allen Bonnette, left, and President Arnold Kilpatrick, right, congratulate, from left, Leroy Miller, Billy Roy Cook and Red McNew.



MRS. MELBA LAW STEEG of New Orleans was one of three Northwestern alumni honored for outstanding contributions to the Northwestern Foundation. Mrs. Steeg received a plaque from Dr. Arnold Kilpatrick at halftime of the basketball game.



J. A. ROCKHOLD, right, of Baton Rouge, was honored with the presentation of a plaque by President Arnold Kilpatrick during Homecoming for his service to the NSU Foundation. Rockhold is Northwestern's Project Top chairman for the Baton Rouge area.



ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS of Homecoming was a basketball game featuring former varsity players against current intramural stars. Here, some of the "Oldtimers" rest their tired bones on the sidelines. The Oldtimers won, though, 63-51.



MEMBERS OF THE Northwestern Homecoming court were presented during ceremonies preceding the Homecoming basketball game between Northwestern and Nicholls State. The queen and court were chosen in a campus-wide election by the student body.



HOMECOMING QUEEN Lisa Cooper, a junior recreation major from Leesville, was presented her crown and bouquet of flowers by President Arnold Kilpatrick at halftime. The Homecoming queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cooper.



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MRS. W. C. JACKSON of Natchitoches was recognized during Homecoming for her outstanding contributions to the Northwestern Foundation. Mrs. Jackson, who donated \$10,000 to the Foundation, received a plaque from President Arnold R. Kilpatrick.



DURING THE GAME between former varsity players and current intramural stars, Dave Clark bombs in a basket to help the Oldtimers to victory. Clark was an All-Conference player in the mid-1960's. Also shown are Lester Lee and Doug Brinson.



TO HELP ALUMNI returning to the Northwestern campus for Homecoming on Valentine's Day feel at home and remember old times, Demon cheerleaders dressed in costumes from the 1950's and led the crowd in cheers that were popular in years gone by.



DR. DWIGHT VINES, right, newly-appointed president of Northeast Louisiana University, was honored during Homecoming as Northwestern's outstanding alumnus in the Department of Business Administration and Economics. Thirteen outstanding alumni were honored.



HOMECOMING QUEEN Lisa Cooper, left, of Leesville and other members of the Homecoming court helped cheer Northwestern's basketball team to a victory over heavily-favored Nicholls State in the game that highlighted the Homecoming celebration.



SPEEDY DICK BROWN scores on a lay-up for the Oldtimers in the game featuring former varsity players against current students. Brown coached the former varsity basketballers to a 63-51 victory over the intramural all-stars in what will be an annual game.



Dr. Edna West

## Long-Time Drama Director Expires

Funeral services were conducted March 27 for Dr. Edna West, who retired in 1971 after serving for 20 years as professor of speech and director of theatre at Northwestern.

Dr. West, who was head of the Department of Speech and Journalism at Northwestern at the time of her retirement, died in a Natchitoches nursing home following a lengthy illness. She was 70.

A native of Albany, Ga., Dr. West joined the Northwestern faculty in 1952 as associate professor of speech and director of theatre and radio. During her tenure at Northwestern, she directed scores of dramatic productions.

Before assuming the position at Northwestern, Dr. West served for 14 years as director of theatre and head of the speech department at Georgia State College for Women in Milledgeville.

From 1931 through 1938, she was chairman of the speech department and director of theatre at Tift College in Forsyth, Ga. Dr. West also taught speech, English and journalism in Georgia high schools for five years before joining the Tift College faculty.

A graduate of Bessie Tift College, Dr. West earned her master's degree from Columbia University and her doctorate from the University of Wisconsin. She also studied at the University of Georgia, the American Academy of Dramatic Art in New York, and the Central School of Speech and Drama at the University of London.

Dr. West, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Louisiana Outdoor Drama Association at Natchitoches, was honored in 1974 as Woman of the Year by the Natchitoches Parish Chamber of Commerce.

## Awards Banquet Is Highlight Of Academic Honors Week

Awards were presented March 10 at the 15th annual Academic Honors Banquet at Northwestern to more than 175 students who have achieved outstanding records. The banquet highlighted Academic Honors Week at NSU.

Bruce Hildebrand of Natchitoches was winner of one of the top honors—the Guy W. Nesom Memorial Award—which goes annually to an outstanding student in the College of Education. Hildebrand was also a co-winner of the Mattie O'Daniel Award, a top honor for prospective teachers.

The Blue Key Award for Scholastic Excellence went to Joseph Sliman of Eunice. Gene Theresa Krane of New Iberia won the Academic Honors in Drama Award and was a co-winner of the Mattie O'Daniel Award.

Judy Ann Tuety of New Llano was presented the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award and was a recipient of the Phi Kappa Phi Sophomore Award. Patricia Herman of Alexandria received the coveted Kappa Delta Pi Award.

Highlighting the program in the Student Union Ballroom was the featured address by Dr. Charles P. Roland, alumni professor of history at the University of Kentucky.

Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic fraternity, sponsors the banquet in cooperation with five other organizations—Kappa Delta Pi, Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Lambda Delta, Phi Eta Sigma and Sigma Xi Club.

Fred Bosarge, dean of student personnel at Northwestern, was master of ceremonies for the banquet, which was initiated through the efforts of the late Dr. Eugene P. Watson, who served as the university's librarian from 1940 until his death in 1964.

Organizations representing every phase of university life were on hand



Dr. Margaret Mead

to honor their outstanding students at the banquet.

The banquet was the featured event during the March 7-13 observance of Academic Honors Week at Northwestern. The special week was proclaimed by President Arnold Kilpatrick to recognize and promote scholastic excellence at the university.

Lectures and seminar presentations by world-renowned anthropologist Dr. Margaret Mead were also highlights of Academic Honors Week. Dr. Mead spoke at an all-university assembly and also conducted special lectures for seminars and classes.

Dr. Mead, who is curator emeritus of ethnology at the American Museum of Natural History, has written 20 books and has co-authored or co-edited 15 others.

Members of various academic departments presented displays and programs during Academic Honors Week to recognize their former and current students who have attained academic excellence.

Art exhibits, concerts, radio interviews, newspaper editorials and other special projects were dedicated to the promotion of the Academic Honors Week observance, which will become an annual event at Northwestern.

Phi Kappa Phi officers who co-ordinated Honors Week were Maxine Southerland of the Department of Home Economics, president; Dr. William A. Poe, Department of Social Sciences and Tommy Whitehead, Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

In a special issue of the student newspaper dedicated to Academic Honors Week, President Kilpatrick said, "In any serious analysis of the goals and missions of this university, the search for academic excellence overshadows all other considerations."



Bruce Hildebrand



## Winter Ski Trip For Alumni Set

Because of a growing interest in skiing, the Northwestern Alumni and Foundation boards voted at their meeting during Homecoming to sponsor a snow skiing trip for alumni and faculty members of the university between Christmas and New Year's Day of 1976.

Board members said reservations for the trip will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Alumni who are interested in a group snow skiing vacation during the holidays should complete the form on the back cover.

The schedule, site, cost details and other information will be included in the next issue of the Alumni Columns. The purpose of the form in this issue is to gauge the amount of interest among alumni in the proposal. Alumni requesting specific information will receive details from the NSU Alumni Office.

Plans are being made to utilize university buses and to perhaps offer academic credit and study programs on the trip for those who desire to participate.

Dr. C. B. Ellis, assistant to the president, said the ski trip will be of no cost to the university, Alumni Association or Foundation. Expenses for the trip will be paid by participants.

Ellis said, "Northwestern alumni and faculty members will be able to enjoy an inexpensive winter vacation with a compatible group of friends. We feel this is a unique opportunity for our graduates."

All interested adults are encouraged to contact the Alumni Office immediately and without any obligation. Anyone interested in the trip should also indicate their interest on the form on the back cover.

## Demon Gift Shop

The Demon Gift Shop has been a popular attraction for Northwestern Alumni. Scores of alumni have ordered such items as sweatshirts, T-Shirts, mugs, pennants, decals, ash trays, notebooks, keychains and other articles decorated with Northwestern seals and emblems. The Alumni Office published a brochure last year showing items that were available through the gift shop, and copies of the brochure are still available. Alumni may obtain Demon Gift Shop Brochures by writing the NSU Alumni Office.



*PRESIDENT ARNOLD KILPATRICK, second from right, of Northwestern accepts a \$1,000 check to the NSU Foundation's Robert Easley Memorial Scholarship Fund from Easley's widow, right, of Natchitoches, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gragory of Baton Rouge. Mrs. Gregory is the daughter of the long-time Northwestern business professor. The check was presented to the Easley family by C. M. Harris of Mountain Home, Ark.*

## Esther Cooley Home Economics Scholarship Fund Is Established

An Esther Cooley Home Economics Scholarship Fund has been established by the Northwestern Foundation in memory of the late Miss Cooley, who served as chairman of the NSU Home Economics Department for 20 years.

Betty Virginia Johnson of the Northwestern Department of Home Economics said contributions to the Scholarship fund will be used to provide financial assistance for outstanding home economics students at the university.

"Numerous friends and former students of Miss Cooley have expressed a desire to make donations to Northwestern in her memory," Miss Johnson said, "and it is for that reason that the Esther Cooley Home Economics Scholarship Fund is being established."

Miss Cooley, who died in February in Slidell at the age of 82, was chairman of the Northwestern department from 1929 through 1949. She joined the staff of the Louisiana State University Agriculture Extension Service as a consumer education specialist in 1949 and remained in the position until she retired in 1959.

The long-time Northwestern educator was instrumental in the planning of the Home Economics Building at NSU, and she participated in ground breaking ceremonies for the two-story, 18,000 square-foot building in 1948.

Miss Cooley earned undergraduate degrees from Newcomb College in



*Esther Cooley*

mathematics and chemistry and from Tulane University in home economics education, and she received her master's degree from the University of Chicago.

The former Northwestern department chairman presented Northwestern's first Home Economics Award in 1935 and continued the award even after she left the university. The name of the award for excellence in home economics at Northwestern was changed to the Esther Cooley Award by the NSU faculty in 1949, and it is presented annually in her honor.

Donations to the Esther Cooley Home Economics Scholarship Fund may be sent to the Northwestern Foundation, Natchitoches.



# Summer Study Tour Of Europe Will Begin July 19

## Academic Credit At NSU Available

Final plans have been announced for Northwestern's annual summer study tour in Europe which is scheduled to begin July 19.

Mrs. Marion Nesom, associate professor of English at Northwestern and director of the five-week tour, said the study tour is open to advanced high school students, college students, teachers and other interested adults.

During the European study tour, participants will spend three days in London, two days in Paris, 13 days in Athens, Seven days on the Mediterranean cruise ship Jason and eight days in Rome.

Classes will be offered in ancient Greek and Roman history, art history and drama while the tour is in Athens and Rome. Six semester hours of credit may be awarded for the tour.

The summer study tour will leave Louisiana on July 19 for New York, and the first overseas stop will be in London, England.

Mrs. Nesom, who has coordinated the summer tour for the past several years, said the participants will be touring London and Paris from July 20 until July 25.

The first summer school session begins July 26 in Athens and continues through Aug. 7, the date participants begin their seven-day Mediterranean cruise aboard the MTS Jason. The Mediterranean cruise includes stops at Egypt, Rhodes, Crete, Santorini, Patmos and Mykonos.

The summer school session in Rome is scheduled for Aug. 15-21 for more classes in history and art, and participants will depart from Rome for New York on Aug. 22.

Northwestern's European summer study tour is being arranged by the American Institute for Foreign Studies and is coordinated by the university's Division of Continuing Education.

Additional information concerning the tour may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Nesom in the Department of Languages at Northwestern or the NSU Division of Continuing Education.



NORTHWESTERN'S BICENTENNIAL exhibit entitled "Louisiana: A Land Worth Defending," has opened in the Cammie G. Henry Louisiana Room and Archives of the Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library on the NSU campus. Hosting a reception at the exhibit's first showing were (from left) Mrs. Arnold R. Kilpatrick, wife of the president of NSU; Mrs. Don Kelly, chairman of the Natchitoches Parish Bicentennial Commission, and Mrs. Carolyn Wells, an assistant librarian at Northwestern who assembled the exhibit.

## Watson Library Louisiana Room Designated National Attraction

The Cammie G. Henry Louisiana Room and Archives located in Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library at Northwestern has been designated as a national attraction in 1976 by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in Washington, D.C.

Dedicated in 1973, the Louisiana Room and Archives is now the permanent home for thousands of volumes of manuscripts, rare books and other archives in the noted Louisiana Collection.

John M. Price, director of NSU's Special Collections Division, said Bicentennial recognition for the Louisiana Room and Archives will focus national attention to the large variety of holdings which are of interest to both serious and amateur historians.

The Louisiana Room and Archives, which has been used for research purposes by scholars from throughout the United States and several foreign countries, will officially be listed in both the national and comprehensive calendars of national Bicentennial events. The calendars are being published by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Because of its designation as a national Bicentennial attraction, the Louisiana Room and Archives has prepared a special exhibit which opened at Northwestern March 1 and will be on public display through December.

The special exhibit is entitled "Louisiana—A Land Worth Defending" and was assembled by Mrs. Carol Wells, assistant librarian in the special collections division. The display shows the chronological progression of the state of Louisiana.

In addition to the special exhibit, such valuable holdings as the James Aswell Collection, the Cloutier Collection, the Melrose Collection, the Egan Papers, the Caroline Dorman Papers, the Joe Dellmon Photographic Archives and the famous Carl Friedrich Gauss-G. Waldo Dunnington Collection are also on display for the public to examine.

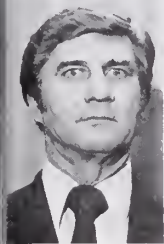
"The unique thing about the Louisiana Room and Archives," said Mrs. Wells, "is that it has become the repository of Colonial items. Where else can you go to find something that truly dates back to the 18th Century? We even have some documents that go back as far as the late 15th Century."

# Alumni President's Message

By Dr. Harold Denning

As President of the Alumni Association, it is my responsibility and opportunity to serve on the NSU Athletic Council. The meetings in which I have participated have revealed the many and complex decisions that must be made.

As one alumnus who is not a part of the university administration, I have observed the efforts being made to move Northwestern toward a well-rounded and superior athletic program. The most impressive thing to me, however, is the effort to do this while



Denning

keeping a correct and balanced appreciation for the role of athletics in the context of a university's larger responsibility.

Each of us as alumni have an inclination to be more interested in the athletic program than in the academic program of our Alma Mater. I hope that without losing interest in athletics we can keep a sincere interest alive in the university's efforts to deliver quality education.

Let us remember that there is no necessary incompatibility between a good athletic program and a good academic program.

Changing the subject, I hope you will mark November 13, 1976, on your calendar and plan now to attend the big Bicentennial Homecoming on campus.

## Donation Honors Graduate Of 1901

A bequest has been made to Northwestern by Thomas Lee Edwards of Alexandria. The attorneys for Mr. Edwards informed the University Foundation that \$1,735.00 from the estate of Mr. Edwards was donated to the University.

Mr. Edwards' first wife, Eloise Nash Edwards, was a 1901 graduate of "Ole Normal."

President Arnold Kilpatrick, in receiving the contribution, stated, "We are extremely grateful to Mr. Edwards for his fitting memorial to Eloise Nash Edwards. His gift will be utilized by the NSU Foundation in support of the university programs. The students and faculty who will be aided by such contributions recognize the importance of private support for higher education at Northwestern."



THREE NORTHWESTERN graduates are among the newly-elected members of the Louisiana Legislature. NSU alumni elected to legislative positions were, from left, Don Kelly, Natchitoches; Foster Campbell, Haughton and Bud Brady, Tullos. Campbell was elected to the Senate from District 36, Kelly was elected to the Senate in District 31, and Brady was named to the House from District 22.

## Message From The President

By Dr. Arnold Kilpatrick

Since the theme of this issue of The Alumni Columns is "Tradition of Educational Excellence," I thought my remarks to the alumni should be centered around our effort to maintain this tradition during the challenging decade of the 1970's.



Kilpatrick

When it is all said and done, a university is judged by the caliber of graduates it produces. All other activities at Northwestern including athletics, public relations, administrations, the physical plant, and all other programs are important only in terms of their relationship to the primary purpose of a university.

The major task of Northwestern, as I see it, is to prepare our students for a successful entry into their chosen places of professional employ-

ment and to equip them with attitudes that will contribute to their personal happiness. In order to accomplish the first of these goals, it is necessary for Northwestern to maintain high standards among the faculty.

In order to do this, adequate salaries are necessary to attract and keep the superior teacher. The best teacher is one who knows the subject matter, is able to communicate it to others, and is dedicated to the entire educational enterprise. Often overlooked is the second great responsibility of a university. The superior professor is one who by example and word develops in his students a set of attitudes, self-concept, and aspirations that will enable the student to that will enable the student to achieve his potential. These will be the guidelines that will continue to influence the selection of those who become a part of the Northwestern family as faculty members.

As I assure you of this effort on our part, I invite and urge your participation in helping your Alma Mater remain a leader in Louisiana higher education. There is much that only alumni can do. We invite you to stay close to Northwestern, visit the campus on special occasions and at every opportunity, invite prospective students to attend Northwestern, speak to Legislators who make decisions about Northwestern's budget and give of yourself and your resources to upgrade Northwestern's expanding academic programs.

Also, plan to be on the Northwestern campus next year for Homecoming and survey our instructional and research facilities. We feel that they compare favorably with those at any college or university in the state.

## Library Established

A music library has been established at NSU in memory of Eleanor Brown, a member of the music faculty at Northwestern for 28 years. A 1940 graduate of NSU, Miss Brown died in July, 1975. Her students have established a memorial fund through the NSU Foundation to be used for the development of a piano music reference library. Those interested in contributing to the Eleanor Brown Memorial Piano Library are invited to send their contributions to the NSU Foundation designated for the Brown Memorial Fund. The form on the back cover of this issue may be used for this purpose.



# Alumni Faces in the News



**J. B. McElwee**

J. B. McElwee of Baton Rouge was recently awarded the Bureau of Disability Insurance Director's Citation at a bi-regional conference in New Orleans. The citation is the highest award which can be presented to a state employee by the Bureau of Disability Insurance. McElwee is administrator of disability determination services of the Louisiana Health and Resources Administration. McElwee is a native of Natchitoches Parish and a graduate of Northwestern. He has previously served as president of the National Association of Disability Examiners and presently represents that body on the National Rehabilitation Association's board of directors. He is married to the former Kay Austin of Mansfield and is the father of two children who are students at LSU.

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Patsy Perkins Colwell is a 1971 graduate of NSU with a degree in nursing. She is employed at Good Samaritan Hospital in Mesa, Ariz. She is married to James Colwell, who is presently in the U.S. Air Force and stationed at Chandler Air Force Base, Ariz.

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Charles Monroe Webb, a graduate of NSU in the 1960's, graduated with honors from the University of Texas Dental School in 1975. During his four years at the dental school, he ranked in the upper 10 per cent of his class. He was honored at various



**Patsy Colwell**



**Charles Webb**

luncheons and activities, including a banquet given by President J. Berry of the Health Science Center to honor students with outstanding scholastic achievement. He was elected into the International Dental Honor Society, the Amicron Kappa Upsilon. He was also awarded the Mosbey Book Scholarship Award for scholastic excellence for four years. He is currently a member of the faculty at the University of Texas Dental School and has his own practice in Houston.

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Robert Earl Morgan is superintendent of School District No. 60 in Huttig, Ark. He is married to the former Elizabeth Fredieu, a graduate of Northwestern. Robert earned a B.S. in 1959 and his M.S. in 1969.

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Karen Jayne Dill of Shreveport teaches English at Mansfield High School. She is married to Joe Dill, a 1973 NSU graduate who is co-owner of Dill Farms Cattle Ranch in Red River Parish. She majored in French at Northwestern.

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Jerry H. Roy has been named district manager in the casualty - property commercial lines department at the San Antonio, Tex., office of The Travelers Insurance Companies. He joined the firm in 1963, was named underwriter in 1967 and assistant manager in 1968. In 1971 he was transferred to Kansas City as district manager.



**Robert Morgan**



**Karen Dill**

Mrs. Justine Bizette, extension home economics agent for Dade County in Florida since 1961 has received the National Distinguished Service Award, the highest recognition bestowed upon an extension home economist. Mrs. Bizette's biggest contribution has been in the area of youth work. She was instrumental in organizing the Dade County 4-H Youth Foundation, Inc.

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Harry B. Moore has been promoted to assistant registrar and director of institutional research at the Shreveport branch of Louisiana State University. He holds a B.S. degree in business administration from Northwestern. He had previously served as assistant registrar for systems and procedures.

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Col. James Bonsall has been appointed assistant division commander of the Army's 95th Division (Training), US Army Reserve. He formerly served as brigade commander. James was commissioned as a second lieutenant through the Senior ROTC program at NSU in 1951. His wife is the former Kathlyn Dawkins, a 1952 graduate.

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Benny F. Cummings is now manager of the Jean Fore Insurance, Inc., agency in Shreveport. He graduated in 1971 with a B.S. degree in business administration. He has been associated with the company since October of 1975.



**Jerry Roy**



**Harry Moore**



**Col. James Bonsall**



**Mrs. Justin Bizette**



**Benny Cummings**



# Alumni Names in the News

## 1910's

1912—JOHN ADOLPHE DUCOURNAU of Natchitoches has presented NSU with a collection of more than 2,000 books. The collection was presented to NSU president Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick for placement in Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library. Ducournau is a retired vice president of Wells Fargo Bank in San Francisco. His donation to the university library was the largest single contribution by any individual.

## 1920's

1926—NENA PLANT WIDEMAN of Shreveport teaches piano at Centenary College. She earned her bachelor's from Centenary and her master's degree from Chicago Musical College. Mrs. Wideman, who is listed in the current issue of the International Who's Who in Music, was named in February as a Distinguished Alumni Lecturer for Northwestern's annual homecoming celebration. The NSU Department of Music selected her for the honor.

1927—CAMIELLE BARRETT MOSHER of Mentor, Ohio, is a consultant for a Christian school library. She received a degree in home economics from Northwestern and later received a master's degree in library science from Western Reserve University in Cleveland.

## 1930's

1930—MARIE MARTIN FULLER of Roswell, N. M. is a graduate with a degree in home economics. Marie and her husband, Charles, have retired from ranching.

## 1940's

1943—RAYMOND WILLIAM RHODES of Bossier City is a measurement engineer for Texas Eastern in Shreveport. He is a physics graduate of NSU, and also has a degree in electrical engineering from Louisiana State University.

1949—J. PAUL PETERS of Winnfield is a radiologist serving Winnfield General Hospital and Jackson Parish Hospital. His degree from Northwestern was in biology.

1949 — KATHRYN FULLHEART WEBB of Robeline was recently honored at the Louisiana Home Economics Association state meeting where she was chosen as the state's outstanding home economics teacher. Selecting her for the award was the LHEA and Family Circle Magazine.

Kathryn will now compete with 50 other state winners for the national honor. She received a silver tray from Family Circle Magazine. Both of Mrs. Webb's degrees were earned in home economics from Northwestern. She received the master's degree in 1970. Kathryn presently teaches home economics at Robeline High School and is also a supervising teacher for the NSU Home Economics Department. She has worked in the Natchitoches Parish School Food Service and for Natchitoches Parish Hospital. The Robeline teacher is a member of LEHA and the American Home Economics Association.

1940—MARJORIE GAUNT MOREHOUS of Cherry Hill, N.J., is currently teaching an adult night class on antiques. She has been fascinated with antiques for many years and recently conducted classes in England while living there. She says she is fairly knowledgeable in furniture and silver. Marjorie received her degree from Natchitoches as a home economics major.

## 1950's

1951—MARY WATSON of Tulsa, Okla., is a candidate in this month's Republican primary elections for mayor of that city. She has served as chairman of the Southeast Tulsa Homeowners Association for the last three years.

1952—WARREN E. KIMBRELL has been named assistant manager of proppration and allocation in the gas supply department of the Houston office of Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation. He holds a degree in accounting from Northwestern. Warren was employed by Texas Eastern in 1953. He was supervisor of statistics and special studies in the gas supply department at the Shreveport office prior to being named to his new position.

1957—ANN FITZPATRICK GRAHAM of Wichita, Kan., teaches pharmacology to practical nursing students.

1955—FLEMING A. THOMAS of Mt. Holley, N. J., is chairman of the division of learning resources at Burlington County College in Pemberton, N. J. He graduated from NSU with a degree in library science and earned his master's degree from LSU.

1956—MARILYN VAN SCHAICK McDANIEL is secretary-treasurer of Southwest Sales and its four branches located in Shreveport.

## 1960's

1960—PEGGY ROBINSON PIKE of Houston, Tex., is teaching in the

Alief Independent School District. She teaches fourth and fifth grade mathematics, social studies and art. In 1975, she was selected as an outstanding elementary teacher in America. Her fourth grade class is presently performing an operetta entitled "Let's Go America." The fourth grade class has been invited to present the operetta in the Houston Astrotball in May for the city's Bicentennial show.

1962—BENNY GOUGH has been named local manager of Central Louisiana Electric Company in Pineville. He graduated from NSU with a degree in industrial arts and has been employed by CLECO since 1964. Benny is a past member of the Civitan Club and the Kings Forest Civic Association of Covington.

1963—ROBERT HATCHETT and his wife Glenda Smith, a 1962 graduate, announce the birth of Kristy Leigh who was born in July. They have two other children, Kevin and Kimberly. Robert is traffic manager for Gould Battery in Shreveport. Their son was one of 24 seventh-grade students selected for a gifted children's program in Caddo Schools.

1967—SARA CHANDLER SHEL-BURNE and her husband, Gene, are the parents of a daughter, Heather Noel, who was born in December. Sara is a diabetic rehabilitation nurse for Sparks Regional Medical Center in Fort Smith, Ark.

1961—KATHLEEN FELTMANN PVUTZMAN of Metairie teaches science at St. Frances Xavier School. She is married to a geologist.

1963—DOTTYE ANDRIES NORRIS of Glenmora is an instructor of nursing at Louisiana State University at Alexandria.

1969—FRANCES BABOVEC DRODDY of Orange, Tex. is a graduate assistant at Lamar University and will complete the required work for her master's degree this summer. Upon graduation, she will be employed by Lamar University at its Orange branch, where she will be an instructor of home economics.

1969—BEN COOPER of Spring, Tex., is assistant principal at Teague Middle School in the Aldine Independent School District. His wife, Sharon, graduated from NSU in 1969 and is teaching second grade at Hidden Valley Elementary.

1969—RICHARD B. MARTIN of Casper, Wyo., is assistant executive

director of Community Recreation, Inc. His wife is the former Elizabeth Woodward, who graduated in 1968.

1965—BEVERLY GLASS FORD of Greenville, Tex., and her husband, Jeff, are the parents of a new son, Jason Kendrick. They have one other son, Jarrod.

1969—JO ANN LEWIS PUGH of Lafayette has been promoted to savings officer at Hub City Bank in Lafayette. She has been employed there since 1972. She received her basic degree in American Institute of Banking courses taught at the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

1968—FRANK DORDAN of Spring, Tex., is employed as an administrative assistant in information services for Amoco Production Company.

1963—G. EDWIN MILLER, JR. of El Cajon, Calif., is academic dean of Christian Heritage College. He and his wife, Melinda, a 1965 graduate, are the parents of a baby daughter, Leeana, who was born in December.

1968—JOHN P. BROUSSARD of Waco, Tex., is an operations manager for Pure Milk Co. His degree from Northwestern was in animal science. He was formerly employed in the dairy science department at LSU in Baton Rouge.

1969 — FELTON DICKSON of Shreveport is employed by South Central Bell Telephone Co. He received his degree from Northwestern in business administration. He and his wife, Brenda, will be vacationing this summer in England, The Netherlands, Germany and Switzerland.

1963—LAVERNE MISNER WHITEHEAD of Nashville, Tenn., is employed at Baptist Hospital in the intensive coronary unit in Nashville. She received a B.A. degree in social studies in 1963 and graduated with honors with an associate degree in nursing last summer from the University of Tennessee-Nashville. La. Verne has been a registered nurse since September.

1967—DONALD ZACKARY of Tyler, Tex., is director of student financial aid at Texas Eastern University in Tyler. He is married to the former Linda Kneipp, a 1966 secretarial administration graduate, and they have two children, Christy Rae and Jeff.

1966—NEVA J. WILLIS JONES of New Orleans is C.O.E. coordinator at Grace King High School in Jefferson Parish, the largest all-girls school in the nation. She received B.S. and M.S. degrees from Northwestern, majoring in business administration.

1965—WILLIAM STEVE BLOUNT of Kenner is employed by Amoco Oil Co. He is an accounting graduate.

1962—CAROLYN LEACH HUNTOON has recently been named as one of the six Outstanding Women in Science Today in America. Dr. Huntoon graduated from NSU with a degree in medical technology. She later earned a Ph.D. degree from Baylor Medical School in physiology. Since receiving her doctorate, she has been employed as head of the Department of Endocrinology for NASA at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

## 1970's

1970—JANICE BRIDGES FLYNN has been named assistant director of the Emory Community Nursing Service at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. She was previously on the staff of St. Joseph's infirmary in Atlanta, where she was a cardiovascular clinical specialist.

1972—SUSAN GUIDRY of Marksville has been appointed head librarian of the Avoyelles Parish Library.

1972—SAMUEL DEAN BEREL of Florien is raising and breeding quarterhorses in the Florien area.

1970—STEPHEN D. LACOUR of Iota is head basketball and assistant football coach at Iota High School. He is married to the former Georgia Pipes, a 1970 nursing graduate who is a nursing instructor at LSU-Eunice.

1971—RUTHIE BENNETT DAVIS of St. Francisville is office manager at Bennett Ford, Inc. She is a speech and hearing therapy graduate.

1972—ROBERT EZELL is the owner of a Mobile auto repair service in Shreveport.

1973—JOANN MITCHELL PRATER of Baytown, Tex., is teaching elementary physical education.

1974—KATHY SCALFANO YATES of Alexandria and her husband Don are currently Peace Corps volunteers in the South Pacific. She is a replacement teacher while Don is director of marine resources.

1974—MARTHA S. WATSON of Eunice graduated with a degree in librarianship. She is married to an attorney.

1972—LINDA NUGENT WRIGHT of Shreveport is working as a Kelly Girl in Shreveport.

1973—ORA HINES WHITLEY of

Cut Bank, Mt., is a former mathematics teacher.

1971—NORMA OLIVER JOHNSON of Shreveport, is head therapist at Alexander Speech Center in Shreveport. She received her master's in special education in 1972.

1973—SYBIL F. ROOS of Houston, Tex., teaches first grade for Spring Branch Independent School District.

1972—WANDA K. SAYES of Gretna teaches home economics at John Ehret High School in Marrero. She was recently elected secretary of the Louisiana Teachers Association home economics section.

1975—DAVID RANDALL RUMBLE JR. of Avondale, is a graduate student at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge where he is working toward the master of arts degree in music history and theory.

1970—PATRICIA SUE EICHELBERGER of Ft. Worth, Tex., is assistant professor of nursing at Texas Christian University. She and her husband recently adopted a daughter.

1975—JULIE MIDDLETON MCGUIRT of Shreveport is a registered nurse at Doctors Hospital. She is married to Robert McGuirt, a 1973 graduate of Northwestern. He is employed by the loan department of Commercial National Bank.

1975—DAVID ALAN REED of Baton Rouge is employed by the Graduate Supply House in Baton Rouge.

1972—RAYMOND L. CHRISTENSEN JR. of New Orleans is a graduate research assistant in chemistry at the University of New Orleans.

1974—MELBA RHODES MURPHY of Winnfield teaches first grade at Calvin Elementary. She received a degree in kindergarten and primary education.

1970—JAMES T. BECKHAM of Memphis, Tenn., is branch manager for General Electric Credit Corp. in Memphis. His degree from Northwestern was in business administration.

1970—CAPT. STEPHEN LELAND RHODES of Victorville, Calif., is a navigator and electronics warfare officer on an F105 in the Air Force. He is currently stationed at George Air Force Base in California. He received a degree in mathematics.

1974—SHANTA DENNIS HOLLIER of New Orleans is working toward a master's degree in speech pathology at the LSU Medical Center in New Orleans. She is married to Johnny Hollier, a 1975 NSU graduate who is attending the LSU Dental School.



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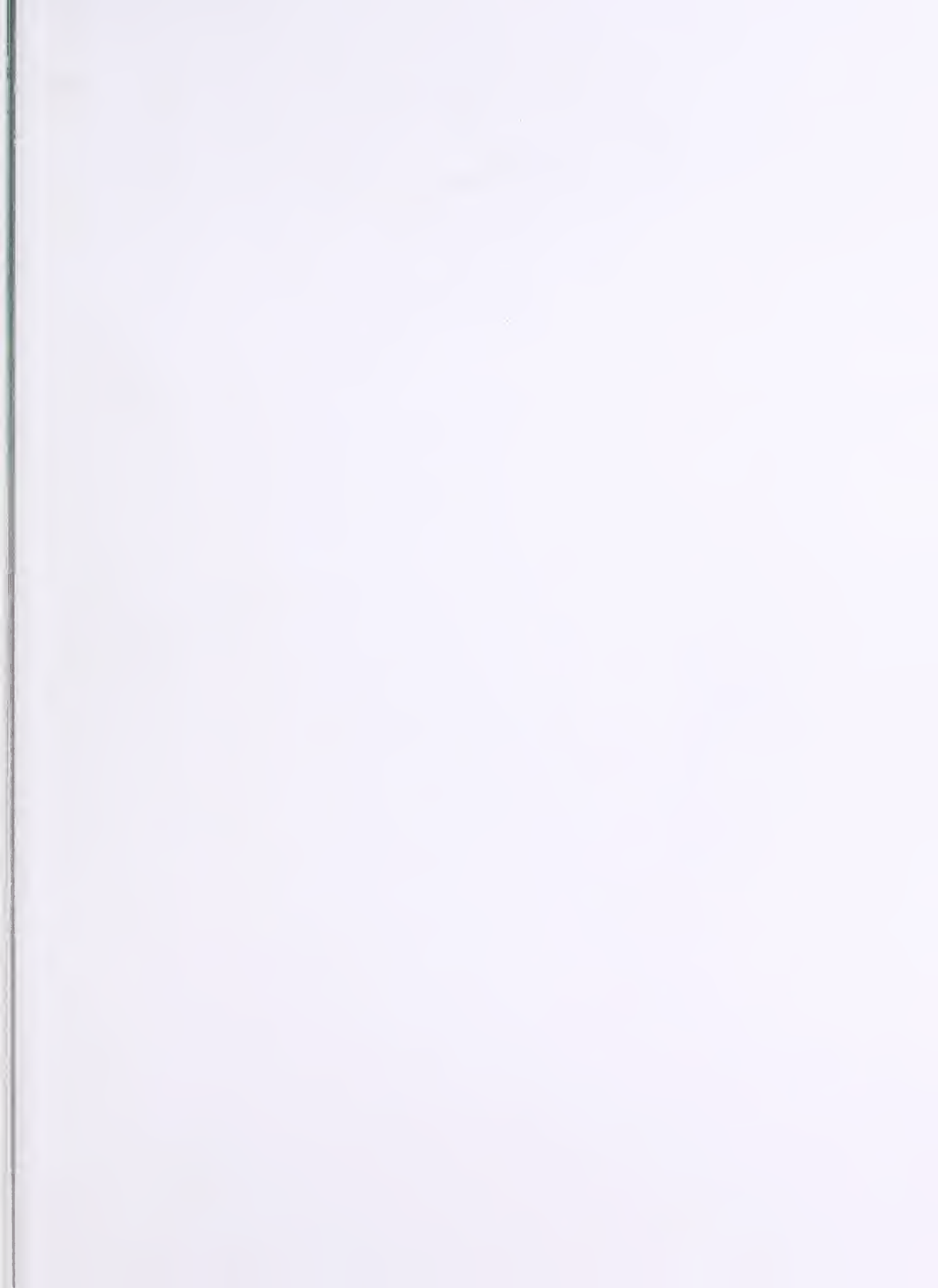
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